

Flu, Asthma, Headache, Neuralgia * * * Sniff it quickly penetrates to all the tissues of the nose destroying the germs, stops nasal discharges, clears the head and gives instant relief—permitting you to breathe freely and enjoy better health * * * Every person should always use a good germicide and antiseptic to avoid colds which are very annoying and dangerous and if neglected, will cause Flu, Pneumonia and other serious ailments. Just a little precaution by inhaling a few sniffs of Sniff a day may save you hours and days of pain and suffering * * * Sniff is wonderful for all local pains. * * * [Testimonials] Sirs: I received the bottle of Sniff and it gave me immediate relief from my Catarrh * * * It seems to penetrate to all parts of my head and nose and even to my throat, giving me quick and permanent relief. I also use it for my children, getting the same good effects. * * * I received the bottle of Sniff which you sent me and I have used two bottles of it for my Catarrh. * * * and I want to tell you that it is the best medicine that I have ever used for Catarrh. It certainly gives instant relief as you claim, and I claim permanent relief and I feel it my duty to recommend it to others."

On October 14, 1930, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be destroyed by the United States marshal.

ARTHUR M. HYDE, *Secretary of Agriculture.*

17847. Adulteration and misbranding of Acco-Balm. U. S. v. 6 Dozen Small-Sized Packages, et al., of Acco-Balm. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 24947. I. S. No. 5565. S. No. 3316.)

Examination of samples of a drug product, known as Acco-Balm, from the herein-described interstate shipment having shown that the labeling bore claims of curative and therapeutic properties that the article did not possess, also that it was represented to be antiseptic, whereas it was not, the Secretary of Agriculture reported the matter to the United States attorney for the District of Massachusetts.

On August 8, 1930, the United States attorney filed in the United States District Court a libel praying seizure and condemnation of six dozen small-sized and one and seven-twelfths dozen large-sized packages of Acco-Balm, remaining in the original and unbroken packages at Boston, Mass., alleging that the article had been shipped by the A. C. Clark Co. (Inc.), from Brattleboro, Vt., in part on or about February 25, 1930, and in part on or about June 4, 1930, and had been transported from the State of Vermont into the State of Massachusetts, and charging adulteration and misbranding in violation of the food and drugs act as amended.

Analysis of a sample of the article by this department showed that it consisted essentially of an ointment with a petrolatum base containing zinc oxide, boric acid, and a trace of pine-needle oil. Bacteriological examination showed that the article was not antiseptic.

It was alleged in the libel that the article was adulterated in that its strength fell below the professed standard or quality under which it was sold, namely: (Can) "Anti-Septic;" (circular) "Antiseptic."

Misbranding was alleged for the reason that the statements (can) "Anti-Septic," and (circular) "Antiseptic," were false and misleading. Misbranding was alleged for the further reason that the following statements regarding the curative or therapeutic effects of the article, appearing in the labeling, were false and fraudulent, since the article contained no ingredients or combination of ingredients capable of producing the effects claimed: (Carton) "Is a general curative;" (can) "For Injuries and Ailments;" (circular) "For all cases of inflammation, irritation, eruption, poison, fever, congestion or swelling. These are symptoms that attend in part, nearly all ailments that attack Man. Acco-Balm is a general Curative. Correct the Symptoms to Cure the Ailment. Head colds when neglected or mistreated invariably develop nasal, throat, bronchial or lung troubles, often pneumonia and consumption (tuberculosis) and the first of which is catarrh, the arch destroyer of mankind. To this malady can be traced nearly all ailments with which the human family is afflicted. * * * Catarrh and Hay Fever are quickly relieved and cured by rubbing a small quantity across the lower forehead and over bridge of nose * * * If eyes are affected and they usually are in some way from catarrh, close the eye and gently rub a small quantity over and into the lids. It relieves, clears and strengthens the eyes * * * Used in this way it often prevents or eliminates

wearing eye glasses which is usually caused by Catarrh. * * * Use it on the baby and prevent catarrh, adenoids, enlarged tonsils and other ailments sure to follow if these conditions are neglected. Sore Throat relieved like magic. * * * When throat is raw or cankerous inside place a piece half the size of a walnut on the tongue * * * For Croup, Bronchitis, Hoarseness, Tightness or Congestion of Lungs. It prevents Pneumonia. * * * A Quick, Deep and True Healer, not only when used as a preventative * * * but also for serious injuries and chronic ailments and where septic conditions have developed, including Blood Poison, Gangrene, Varicose Ulcers, Sores, Swellings, Discolorations and Eruptions of all kinds. Used for Boils, Felons, Abscesses, Mumps, Scrofular, Glandular, Tonsil or other swellings it affords immediate relief, hastens maturing and breaking and heals quickly without scars, deformities, contracted cords, muscles or tenderness and prevents a recurrence. * * * For All Ailments attended with Itching, Burning, Smarting, or Poison, such as erysipelas, eczema, hives, shingles, chicken pox, rashes, eruptions, itching piles, external poison, * * * bites and stings of animals * * * and cuts and wounds from tin, copper, zinc, brass, rusty nails, wood, etc. * * * Use it on pimples, bunches and discolorations from which they start and prevent these horrible tortures. * * * Piles—This distressing ailment in all forms is quickly and permanently relieved and most cases are relieved with Acco-Balm. Hemorrhoids (bleeding piles) * * * Fistula (protruding piles). * * * Itching Piles. * * * This Remedy * * * has been the means of saving much suffering. * * * Earache * * * All Foot Troubles with which so many people suffer are afforded prompt relief * * * For * * * bunions, enlarged joints, * * * sore, swollen, * * * feet."

On November 24, 1930, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be destroyed by the United States attorney.

ARTHUR M. HYDE, *Secretary of Agriculture.*

17848. Adulteration and misbranding of antipyrine tablets, barbital tablets, calomel tablets, mercuric iodide tablets, santonin and calomel tablets, sodium sulphocarbolate tablets, strychnine sulphate tablets, sulphonal tablets, trional tablets, and nitroglycerin tablets. U. S. v. George A. Breon & Co. Plea of nolo contendere. Fine, \$1,000 and costs. (F. & D. No. 25011. I. S. Nos. 011378, 011379, 011382, 011384, 011386, 011390, 011392, 011393, 011394, 011403.)

Examination of various drugs in tablet form from the interstate shipments described herein showed that the said tablets contained a smaller quantity of the principal therapeutic agent than represented on the label, with the exception of the santonin and calomel tablets, in which an excess of the said drugs was found.

On June 27, 1930, the United States attorney for the Western District of Missouri, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for the district aforesaid an information against George A. Breon & Co., a corporation, Kansas City, Mo., alleging shipment by said company, in violation of the food and drugs act, on or about June 13, 1929, from the State of Missouri into the State of Minnesota, of quantities of antipyrine tablets, barbital tablets, calomel tablets, mercuric iodide tablets, santonin and calomel tablets, sodium sulphocarbolate tablets, strychnine sulphate tablets, sulphonal tablets, trional tablets, and nitroglycerin tablets, which were adulterated and misbranded. The articles were labeled in part as hereinafter set forth.

It was alleged in the information that the articles were adulterated in that their strength and purity fell below the professed standard and quality under which they were sold, as follows: The antipyrine tablets were each represented to contain 1 grain of antipyrine, whereas they contained less than so represented, namely, not more than 0.796 grain of antipyrine per tablet. The barbital tablets were each represented to contain 5 grains of barbital, whereas they contained less than so represented, namely, not more than 3.28 grains of barbital per tablet. The calomel tablets were each represented to contain one-half grain of calomel, whereas they contained less than so represented, namely, not more than 0.44 grain of calomel per tablet. The mercuric iodide tablets were each represented to contain one-fourth grain of mercuric iodide, whereas they contained less than so represented, namely, not more than 0.208 grain of mercuric iodide per tablet. The santonin and calomel tablets were each represented to contain one-half grain of santonin and one-half grain of calomel, whereas they contained more of the said drugs than so represented, namely, not less than